

Committee General Purposes Committee	Date 16 December, 2009	Classification Unrestricted	Report No.	Agenda Item No.
Report of: Service Head, Democratic Services Originating Officer(s): John S. Williams		Title: APPOINTMENTS TO PANELS/EXTERNAL BODIES Ward(s) affected: All		

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 The General Purposes Committee has responsibility for appointing Members to vacant positions on the committees and panels of the Council; and Councillors, officers or other nominees as appropriate to represent the authority on external bodies. On 17th June 2009 the Committee received nominations from the political groups and agreed the Council's appointments to a range of external bodies for the municipal year 2009/10.
- 1.2 This report sets out a number of appointments which now fall to be made where vacancies have arisen since the June 2009 meeting.
- 1.3 The table overleaf lists the outstanding appointments and any nominations received at the time of printing the agenda. The respective political groups have been notified of the vacancies listed and any further nominations or amendments received prior to the committee will be reported at the meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That appointments be made to external bodies for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2009/2010 as listed at paragraph 4.1 overleaf.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The General Purposes Committee has been established by Council to enable the swift determination of non-executive matters, including appointments to committees, panels and external bodies.
- 3.2 The Committee is requested to consider the nominations below, which have been received from the political groups on the Council for the vacant positions as indicated. Appointments are made until the end of the current municipal year unless otherwise indicated.

4. VACANCIES AND NOMINATIONS RECEIVED

4.1 The Committee is asked to make appointments to the following vacant positions. Any nominations received from the political groups prior to agenda despatch are listed below. Any further nominations received prior to the Committee will be tabled at the meeting.

Panel/ Organisation	Reason for vacancy	Current representative(s)	Nominations
Fostering Panel	Resignation of Councillor Ann Jackson	1 vacancy	To be notified
Futures Charitable Trust (Term of office to 31 December 2011)	Members nominated by boroughs in rotation. Tower Hamlets nomination now due.	1 vacancy	To be notified
Lee Valley Regional Park Authority (Deputy Member)	Cllr Dulal Uddin was appointed in June 2009 subject to his agreement but has declined the nomination.	Councillor Marc Francis (Member) 1 vacancy (Deputy)	To be notified
Norton Folgate Almshouses Charity (4 year term) (Nominee does not need to be a councillor or officer of the Council)	Resignation of Councillor Bill Turner as one of the Council's three representatives.	Mr. Chris Weavers (ongoing to June 2013) Ms. Rachel Blake (ongoing to June 2012) 1 vacancy	Labour Group nomination: Mr. Chris Dyson (to June 2013)
Parmiter's Almshouses and Pensions Charity	No nominations made at GP Committee 17 June 2009 or for a number of years. The Clerk to the Trustees has now approached the Council, seeking up to 3 nominees.	3 vacancies	To be notified.

Stepney Relief in Need Charity (4 year term)	Councillor Bill Turner's membership of the Charity has lapsed.	Cllr Salim Ullah (to June 2013) Cllr Oliur Rahman (to March 2013) 1 vacancy	To be notified
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5. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

6. CONCURRENT REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (LEGAL SERVICES)

6.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

7. IMPLICATIONS FOR ONE TOWER HAMLETS

7.1 There are no immediate implications for One Tower Hamlets arising from this report.

8. ANTI POVERTY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no immediate anti-poverty implications arising from this report.

9. SUSTAINABLE ACTION FOR A GREENER ENVIRONMENT (SAGE)

9.1 There are no immediate SAGE implications arising from this report.

10. RISK ASSESSMENT

10.1 The appointment of representatives to external bodies enables the Council to strengthen links with community. The appointment of representatives to external bodies also contributes to the Council's leadership role in the community.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2000 (SECTION 97)

LIST OF "BACKGROUND PAPERS" USED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

Brief description of "background paper"

Name and telephone number of holder and address where open to inspection

External Bodies File

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